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Memorandum

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1 - Mr. Sullivan

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: June 16, 1966

1 - Mr. Branigan
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FROM : Mr. W. A. Branigan

SUBJECT: MARK LANE
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Mark Lane is an attorney who has maintained legal offices in New York City since 1952. On December 30, 1964, he married a Danish national and has been residing abroad since that time. He frequently returns to the United States where he professes to be conducting his own investigation of the assassination of the late President John F. Kennedy.

Lane received considerable publicity during the period the Warren Commission was in existence since he was continually taking issue with the Warren Commission concerning evidence developed surrounding the assassination. At one point, Lane was retained by Mrs. Marguerite Oswald, mother of Lee Harvey Oswald, to represent her son posthumously.

Lane has a long history of affiliation with Communist Party front groups. In 1952 he was Administrative Secretary of the New York Chapter of the National Lawyers Guild, which has been cited by the House Committee on Un-American Activities.

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We have received information that Lane plans to publish a book in the immediate future entitled "Rush to Judgment." Reportedly, this book will be an attack upon the findings of the Warren Commission. Since Lane has previously been critical of the Bureau's investigation regarding the assassination, it is contemplated that his book will also contain unfavorable criticism of the FBI.

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OBSERVATIONS:

It appears probable that if Lane's book is published and contains unfavorable criticism of the FBI, the Bureau may be contacted by friendly newspaper representatives to get the true facts. [redacted]

ACTION:

None. For information.

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